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REF A. MEXICO 850, B. STATE 12073 (NOTAL),

1. EMB UNDERSTANDS THAT SENIOR OFFICIALS FROM BOTH CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND BUREAU OF RECLAMATION WILL BE IN MEXICO TO ATTEND INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON LARGE DAMS, BEGINNING APRIL 3 (REF B). WE NOTE TOO THAT AMONG GOM OFFICIALS TAKING PART WILL BE REPS FROM SECRETARIAT OF WATER RESOURCES (SRH), THE AGENCY ULTIMATELY RESPONSIBLE FOR TAKING ACTION TO UPGRADE MEXICALI SEWAGE TREATMENT FACILITIES (REF A).

2. GIVEN OUR CONTINUING PROBLEM IN IMPRESSING ON GOM THE SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH WE VIEW MEXICALI SEWAGE SITUATION, BELIEVE DEPT SHOULD CONSIDER POSSIBILITY OF EXPLOITING USDEL CONTACTS WITH SRH COUNTERPARTS TO TRY TO ENCOURAGE REMEDIAL ACTION AT MEXICALI. DEPT MIGHT, FOR EXAMPLE, DRAFT MESSAGE TO SRH SECRETARY ROVIROSA WADE FROM USDEL CHAIRMAN DRAWING THAT SITUATION HIS ATTENTION AND EXPRESSING HOPE IT MIGHT BE DISCUSSED DURING CONGRESS MEETINGS.

3. AT MINIMUM, BELIEVE DEPT SHOULD BRIEF ALL USDEL MEMBERS ON THE NATURE OF MEXICALI SITUATION,
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URGING THAT THEY SEEK APPROPRIATE OCCASION TO RAISE IT

WITH MEXICAN COUNTERPARTS AT CONGRESS. EMBASSY WILL
OF COURSE BE PREPARED TO FIL IN DELEGATES ON DETAILS,
AS NECESSARY.
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